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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

Sir:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated October 26, 2007, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application in light of the following amendments and remarks. Applicant submits this amendment and response in connection with a Request for Continued Examination ("RCE"). Also, Applicant respectfully submits a petition for an one-month extension of time to file this RCE amendment and response. With the petition, the response is now due February 26, 2008.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.

**Conclusion** begins on page 19 of this paper.